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SUBJECT: ANTITRUST: COMPAGNIE DE SAINT-GOBAIN PONT-A-
MOUSSON

REF: A) STATE 121912; B) 74 PARIS 14355; C) 74 STATE 142711

1. FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION (FTC) INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT
IT HAS NOW QUOTE: OPENED AN INDUSTRYWIDE INVESTIGATION OF
THE INSULATION INDUSTRY WHICH INCLUDES THE FRENCH COMPANY
COMPAGNIE DE SAINT-GOBAIN PONT-A-MOUSSON AND ITS AMERICAN
SUBSIDIARY CERTAINTEED CORPORATION, AS WELL AS SEVERAL
DOMESTIC COMPANIES. AS YOU MAY RECOLLECT, THIS AGENCY
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HAS BEEN INVESTIGATING THE ACQUISITION BY SAINT-GOBAIN OF
CERTAINTEED SINCE 1974 AND A PREVIOUS NOTIFICATION CONCERN-
ING THAT INVESTIGATION WAS SENT (SEE REFETL A).

2. QUOTE: THE NEW INVESTIGATION CONCERNS WHETHER OR NOT
VARIOUS MANUFACTURERS, DISTRIBUTORS OR SELLERS OF INSULA-
TION ARE OR HAVE BEEN IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 5 OF THE

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION ACT AS A RESULT OF THEIR PARTICIPATION, JOINTLY OR SEPARATELY, IN UNFAIR ACTS, PRACTICES OR METHODS OF COMPETITION IN OR AFFECTING COMMERCE. THIS INVESTIGATION WILL BE NONPUBLIC, AS WAS THE EARLIER ONE, WHICH HAS NOT BEEN CLOSED. UNQUOTE

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INFORM THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT OF THE ABOVE ACTION IN THIS INVESTIGATION UNDER THE 1967 OECD NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE AND REPORT ANY REACTION. VANCE

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